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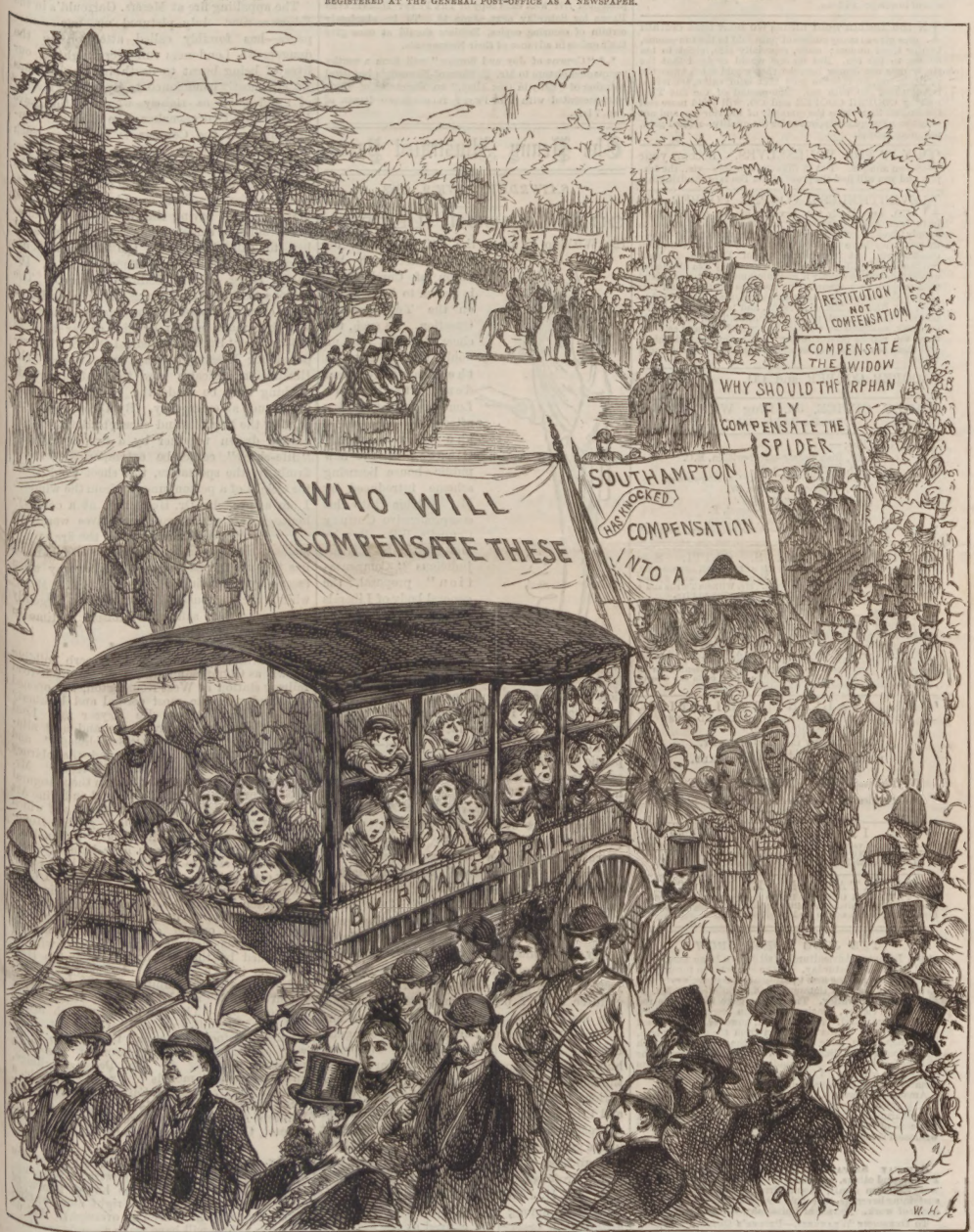

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THE JUNE HORSE SHOW

at the Islington Agricultural Hall drew a large number of good judges last Saturday. In the competition for weight-carrying hunters, the first to captivate the judge's eyes was Brilliant, a big bay thorough-bred, exhibited by Mr. J. Shepherd, of Beverley. The judges gave to him the red rosette of victory, placing Champion second, and Lord Burton's bay third. This decision, however, was reversed on appeal, and Brilliant deposed from the pride of place. This disposition gave Mr. Byass the first place with Champion, and qualified him, as afterwards appeared, for still higher honours. The middle-weight class for hunters capable of carrying 13 and 13 stone saw Mr. Richardson's Tommy Giles chief prize-winner.

Among light-weight hunters to carry less than 13 stone, Mr. Woolcott's Sandiman, a chestnut of perfect manners and charming action, was champion. The Prince and Princess of Wales visited the show on Tuesday, and witnessed some plucky and skilful jumping.

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*** "Crowns of Joy and Sorrow" will form a worthy companion picture to Mr. E. Sherard-Kennedy's beautiful painting of "Sally in Our Alley," an Engraving of which was presented with THE PENNY ILLUSTRATED PAPER of Jan. 7 last.

The Penny Illustrated Paper.

SATURDAY, JUNE 9, 1888.

OUR LONDON LETTER.

SIR WILFRID LAWSON, the estimable M.P. for the Cockermouth Division of Cumberland, is known to be a zealot on the Temperance Question. As such, the cheery Baronet was, no doubt, well content with the remarkably great demonstration in London on Saturday afternoon last against the "Compensation" Clauses of the new public-house licensing scheme introduced by Mr. Ritchie into his comprehensive County Councils Bill. But by antagonism to this injudicious "Compensation" proposal, the general body of Liberals do not, I take it, contend that respectable licensed victuallers should be unfairly deprived of their livelihood, and remain without compensation for loss of license. Not at all! Fair compensation would be but just in such cases. What is strongly and rightly objected to is that by means of the new plan a factitious value should be given to existing licensed houses—that the public should pay the piper whatever be the extravagance of the tune an exorbitant publican might call. The Government could not by any manner of means, however, afford to overlook the importance of last Saturday's anti-"compensation" meeting in the metropolis. Its magnitude may be accurately gauged by the drawing of the vast procession starting from the Thames Embankment on its long and circuitous march to Hyde Park, with banners flying, and bands playing, with numbers of artisans and their families making a merry half-holiday of it in vans and brakes, and with many an effective protest against the projected change in the shape of a cartload of poor children or of a pungent inscription on a flag. The march through well-lined Holborn and Oxford-street to Hyde Park was an imposing demonstration. No doubt of this. The good humour of the demonstrators in the park was at the same time shown by the loyal rush of the curious to have a view of the Prince of Wales and Prince Albert Victor. It was computed that approaching a hundred thousand persons took part in the gathering, which was addressed by Lord Kinnaird, Sir Wilfrid Lawson, Mr. W. Johnston, M.P., Professor Stuart, M.P., Mr. W. S. Caine, M.P., Mr. H. J. Wilson, M.P., and by Mr. E. H. Pickersgill among other members. By what arithmetical process he arrived at the figures, I don't know; but it is a fact that Mr. Caine actually reckoned that the "compensation" of the publicans whose licenses might be refused would cost the public, in round numbers, not less than £300,000,000! When on their hobby, these teetotallers deal with millions as easily as Cinquevalli handles brass balls, but their figures are less tangible. Fairplay ought to settle this knotty point as well and as satisfactorily as it would settle every remaining political or social problem.

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The appalling fire at Messrs. Garrould's in the Edgware-road—duly pictured on our centre pages—has forcibly called attention to the dangers we Londoners run every night of our lives of being burnt to death in the fire-traps we are mostly condemned to live in. Presence of mind such as rightly won for the brave French head dressmaker the hearty commendation of the Coroner is rare when such deplorable conflagrations break out. The five victims of the Edgware-road disaster, and the lamentable delay in the arrival of Fire-Escapes, call aloud for immediate consideration as to the best means of saving life in face of a similar catastrophe. Under these circumstances, I beg to call attention to the common-sense suggestion of the well-known oculist, Dr. Jabez Hogg, of 1, Bedford-square. The obvious utility of Dr. Hogg's simple notion is made clear by a wood-cut on another page. It was first made public by him as far back as 1853 in the "Domestic Medical Guide" he prepared for Messrs. Ingram and Cooke. The Illustration indicates how the ordinary bed-clothing may be made the means of saving life in such an emergency. By throwing out of window the blankets and sheets to the onlookers always drawn together by a fire, a valuable "life-sheet" could be extemporised. Held firmly by the spectators, this sheet would bear the weight of a person jumping from the window. I am assured by Dr. Hogg that at a country-house, a few years ago, many lives were thus rescued. Messrs. Merryweather, the fire-engine makers, have special appliances to enable families to save themselves in a similar way when escape by the stairs or roof is cut off. Meanwhile, every householder may be urgently recommended to safeguard himself in time in case of fire.

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The Irish Exhibition in the superb building known as Olympia, adjoining the Addison-road railway station at West Kensington, was opened on Monday in the most cordial and brotherly way by Lord Mayor De Keyser and Lord Mayor Sexton, whose humorous and neat allusion to the Killarney "Switchback" and the Lord Mayor of London and the Blarney stone was "Irish, you know, quite Irish." Mr. Parnell was there, and took part in the inaugural procession of this capital Industrial and Fine Art Exhibition, for the energetic promotion of which Lord Arthur Hill, M.P., the genial Honorary Secretary, and Mr. Henry Labouchere, and many other public men have laudably sunk political differences of opinion, and have charitably combined to extend the social and commercial prosperity of Ireland. May this Irish Exhibition cement the Union of England and Ireland! Some of its picturesque aspects are sketched by one of our Artists. Entering the capacious hall of Olympia, you will be astonished by the transformation of the Hippodrome into a gigantic Bazaar of Dublin, Belfast, and Cork exhibits, and of Irish manufactures, such as Mr. Ernest Hart waxes eloquent upon. The paintings by Irish artists and the antiquities are full of interest. The Gardens gained through the grotto subway are engrossing by reason of the Irish peasants spinning in the Donegal village, and the excellent models of Drogheda Castle, a Round Tower, Blarney Castle, the Killarney "Switchback," the Wicklow Toboggan, and the Hunters' Arena, and the illuminations at night—at least, they will be when all is completed.

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Pity the Prince of Wales did not grace the opening of the Irish Exhibition with his presence. H.R.H. has so generally the happy knack of doing the right thing at the right moment that his absence may have been an oversight. Let us hope the Prince will have made amends ere these lines are read.

The Donegal village at the "Paddyries," I should mention, was organised by Mrs. Ernest Hart and Lord Leitrim. Here will be found a spinner and weaver from Gweedore busy making the H.H. homespuns; there may be seen a peasant dyeing wool from wild Donegal plants. You can pass from the cottage of the Donegal weaver into that of a linen weaver and spinner from Armagh. True to her name, Mrs. Ernest Hart has long laboured to revive village industries in Ireland; and it is to be hoped the London public will this summer purchase largely either of the Irish workers themselves at the Donegal village (which will have to be safely protected against fire), or at the depôt of the Donegal Industrial Fund, 43, Wigmore-street.

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Untiring Mr. J. R. Whitley adds each week to the attractiveness of the Italian Exhibition, the statuary and pictorial adornments of which draw great crowds to West Brompton. Another time I may have space to dilate on the wonderful skill with which Fratelli Prandi's famed Italian Buratini, or Marionettes, are worked, and made to act and move like living actors at the Italian Exhibition.

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Colonel John T. North, the "Nitrate King," never so happy as when he is romping with his young children or playing cricket with his genial son from Cambridge on the far-spreading lawn of his charming country-seat at Eltham, has been chosen M.F.H.; and I believe the eminent Court painter, Mr. R. Caton Woodville, has accepted a commission to paint an equestrian portrait of Colonel North as M.F.H.

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A choral treat: the Sunday School Choral Festival at the Crystal Palace (5000 voices strong) on Wednesday next.

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Royal Italian Opera pursues the successful tenour of its way, under the sway of Mr. Augustus Harris and his patrician supporters. The exquisite performance of "Il Trovatore," under the judicious direction of Signor Randegger, last Saturday — linked sweetness long drawn out — has been followed by a whole week of opera, the most notable feature of which has been the successful appearance of the Brothers Reszké, in "L'Africaine," wherein charming Miss Margaret McIntyre made good her position as a captivating songstress it is an unfailing pleasure to listen to. "Les Huguenots" to-night (Saturday)!

[*Town Edition.*] PHILIP.

Queen: Court: Fashion.

HER MAJESTY'S Birthday was celebrated last Saturday in the customary manner. In the morning the ceremony of Trooping the Colours took place on the Horse Guards' Parade, in the presence of the Prince and Princess of Wales and a distinguished assemblage. Royal salutes were fired in St. James's Park and at the Tower, the Royal Standard was hoisted on the public buildings, and a holiday was observed in the Government establishments and in the Law Courts. Banquets were given by her Majesty's Ministers, and during the evening the West-End streets were crowded with people to see the illuminations at the clubs and other buildings.

At Balmoral, last Saturday, the Queen went out with Princess Beatrice and Princesses Victoria and Louise of Schleswig-Holstein, and in the afternoon her Majesty drove out, accompanied by Princess Beatrice and Princess Louise. Divine service was performed at the castle on Sunday morning, in the presence of the Queen.

The officers of the Grenadier Guards presented to the Prince and Princess of Wales, at Marlborough House last Saturday, a silver statuette of a private of the regiment in the uniform of the year 1818, on the occasion of their silver wedding.

The Prince and Princess of Wales, accompanied by Princesses Louise, Victoria, and Maud, were present at Divine service on Sunday.

Prince Albert Victor, attended by Captain the Hon. A. Greville, has returned to York.

Princess Louise has consented to distribute, on Tuesday, June 19, the prizes awarded at the Workmen's Exhibition at the People's Palace, in the Mile-End-road.

The Duke and Duchess of Edinburgh, travelling incognito, arrived at Seville on Sunday night from Cadiz.

Prince Albert Victor is to visit Bridlington Quay in July and formally open the Beaconsfield sea-wall and promenade.

The Marquis of Lansdowne, retiring Governor-General of Canada, accompanied by the Marchioness, arrived in the Mersey on Saturday morning in the Allan mail-steamer Parisian; the passengers giving three hearty cheers as they went off. Lord Stanley of Preston had previously left England for Canada.

The Emperor of Germany, who had entirely recovered from the fatigue of his journey from Charlottenburg to Friedrichskron, passed a fair night last Saturday night. Both on Saturday and Sunday the Emperor drove out for some hours, leaving his carriage several times in order to walk. In the Shell Hall of Friedrichskron several hymns were sung at half-past twelve o'clock on Sunday, at the express desire of the Emperor, by the famous choir of the Church of the Twelve Apostles, at Berlin.

The House of Lords reassembled after the Whitsuntide holidays on Monday. The Government was represented by the Marquis of Salisbury, Viscount Cranbrook, the Duke of Rutland, Lord Knutsford, Earl Cadogan, Viscount Cross, Lord Ashbourne, the Marquis of Lothian, the Earl of Mount-Edgcumbe, and the Earl of Onslow.

The King and Queen of Sweden on Monday left "beautiful Bournemouth" for London, to be present at the Court Ball in Buckingham Palace. Their Majesties on Saturday went for a drive to lovely Branksome Park, West Bournemouth, and in the afternoon visited St. Stephen's Church, where Prince Oscar was married.

His Majesty signified his intention of being present at the opening of the gymnasium of the Central Young Men's Christian Association, 92, Long-acre, by the Prince of Wales on Thursday.

The Prince of Wales last Tuesday inspected the Royal Body-Guard in St. James's Palace Gardens.

The Right Hon. W. E. Gladstone and Mrs. Gladstone arrived in London on Monday.

The Lord Mayors of London and Dublin on Monday opened the Irish Exhibition at Olympia. Lord A. Hill read addresses to them, from the committee, who expressed a hope that the Exhibition would be of great benefit to the manufactures of Ireland.

The official reception of the English delegation of the Honourable Artillery Company took place on Sunday night at the Faneuil Hall, the headquarters of the ancient and honourable Artillery Company of Boston. Some 3000 persons were present, and among the distinguished guests were the Governor of Massachusetts, the Mayor of Boston, General Sir Frederick Middleton, Commander of the Militia in the Dominion of Canada, the Old Guard of New York, and a large number of military and naval officers. The galleries reserved for ladies were crowded. The English delegation were loudly cheered on entering the hall, and the band played "The British Grenadiers."

The Emperor and Empress of Brazil, accompanied by Prince Augustus of Saxe-Coburg, his Majesty's son-in-law, left Milan by special train on Monday morning for Aix-les-Bains.

General Boulanger experienced a much-needed check last Monday. In the French Chamber General Boulanger gave notice of a proposal for the revision of the Constitution, for which he demanded urgency. He occupied the tribune for two hours, and was almost continously interrupted: but with great coolness read to the end his flabby speech, in which he attacked the existing arrangements. M. Floquet replied, and repeated that the Government would propose revision at their own time. The motion for urgency was negatived by 377 to 186; and by another division of similar proportions the House resolved that the Premier's speech should be placarded throughout France.

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The Playgoer.

M. JACOBI, the cultivated and talented composer and *chef d'orchestre* of the Alhambra Theatre of Varieties, deservedly participated in the enthusiastic plaudits which crowned with triumph the magnificent new choreographic spectacle of "Antiope" on Monday night. This popular conductor has put forth all his skill in setting the appropriate and seductive music of this remarkably grand ballet, which surpasses in tasteful splendour all former Alhambra triumphs. Far and away the safest Variety Theatre in London, the Alhambra abounds in exits, and is lit by electricity. Hence the perfect feeling of security with which one took a seat in the Alhambra whilst this elaborately beautiful divertissement, invented and arranged by Signor E. Casati, and adorned by the sweet orchestration of M. Jacobi, was unfolded. From the exquisitely novel and bold, varied and captivating costumes, cleverly designed by M. Wilhelm, and charmingly executed by M. and Madame Alias, to the alluring scenery of Mr. T. E. Ryan, everything is worthy of warm admiration in "Antiope." The practised corps of coryphées, unexcelled for grace and precision, never danced with more spirit. Whilst the favourite première danseuse, Signorina Bessone, quite surpassed herself by the dramatic force of her acting and the astounding *tours de force* with which she "brought down the house," she was closely run in pantomimic intensity by Mdlle. Cossio, Mdlle. Cormani, and Mdlle. Marie. The wonderful series of tableaux is resplendently capped by the attractive pageantry of the final scene—a glowing feast of entrancing colour and beauty which stirred the spectators to the core, and caused all concerned—the principal dancers, Signor Casati, M. Jacobi, and Mr. Charles Morton—to be overwhelmed with applause, thoroughly well merited. "Antiope" will be the talk of the town, and draw "all London" to the beautified and safe Alhambra.

The matinée fashion has not yet died out. For a laudable object—that of adding to the fund for the relief of the sufferers from the disastrous floods in Germany—the custom was followed by Mr. Charles Wyndham at the Criterion on Monday. The Prince and Princess of Wales were present, and the sum of £300 was realised. By-the-way, those who have not yet seen the finished cabinet-picture-like revival of "David Garrick" at the Criterion, should hurry up, as Mr. Wyndham shortly revives "Betsy." Returning to our matinées, we find Mr. Augustus Harris generously giving up Drury-Lane on Thursday to the Theatrical Fund benefit, and kindly placing the "national theatre" at the disposal of Mrs. Conover, on Monday next, when the charitable, if rather spoilt and exalted, profession of mummers will rally to the support of that courageous but unlucky ex-manageress of the Olympic.

Why does not Mr. Julian Hawthorne, talented successor to his father in the difficult art of novel-writing, rescue Nathaniel Hawthorne's powerful romance of "The Scarlet Letter" from the sacrilegious hands of stage adapters? Or, as Miss Grace Hawthorne is said to be a relative of Nathaniel, why does not the smart American Manageress of the Princess's produce a version of "The Scarlet Letter" by Mr. Julian Hawthorne? In face of the unblushing effrontery with which the Hon. Stephen Coleridge and Mr. Norman Forbes at the Royalty, and Mr. Alec. Nelson at the Olympic, have laid pilfering hands on "The Scarlet Letter," and brought out adaptations of the great novel, one must naturally wish that some member of the Hawthorne family would do as Mrs. Burnett has done, and put the noses of these new Seebohms out of joint.

HERR ANGELI, the famous painter, has received a letter from Berlin announcing that the German Emperor's condition has so much improved that he will now be able to sit for the portrait which he intends to have taken in his coronation robes.

DISORDERED STOMACH AND BILIOUS ATTACKS.—A Gentleman writes:—"Dec. 27, 1887. After twelve months' experience of the value of the 'Vegetable Moto' I unhesitatingly recommend their use in preference to any other medicine, more particularly in bilious attacks; their action is so gentle, and yet so effective, that nothing equals them in my opinion. They have never failed to give the wished-for relief. I take them at any hour, and frequently in conjunction with a small glass of Eno's 'Fruit Salt.'—Yours gratefully, ONE WHO KNOWS." ENO'S "VEGETABLE MOTO," of all Chemists. Price 1s. 1½d.; post-free, 1s. 3d.—ENO'S FRUIT SALT WORKS, London, S.E.—[ADVT.]

H.R.H. THE PRINCE OF WALES AS GRAND MASTER OF ENGLISH MASONS AT ALBERT HALL.

THE PRINCE AND MASONRY.

As Most Worshipful Grand Master of English Freemasons, the Prince of Wales is known to exert himself strenuously and nobly to promote that Christian Charity which seems to be the basis of Masonry—albeit, it is obvious that this benevolent brotherhood, like many another association, is abused by the scheming and calculating few whose selfish watchword is "self-advancement." Renowned for his open-handed generosity and kind-heartedness, the Prince contents himself with extending the good works of the Masonic body; leaving it to the unconscionable egotism of the vain-glorious "self-pushers" to be their own condemnation.

This first sunny week of June was sunnily opened by the Prince of Wales at a notable Masonic meeting in the Albert Hall. On Monday his Royal Highness, accompanied by her Royal Highness the Princess of Wales, and Princesses Louise, Victoria, and Maud of Wales, paid a visit to this right Royal hall, to witness the distribution of prizes to the pupils of the Royal Masonic Institution for Girls by the Countess of Carnarvon. There was a very large and distinguished company in attendance, and among them were the Earl of Carnarvon (Pro-Grand Master), the

THE ESCAPED CONVICT FIRTH,
"WANTED" FOR THE MURDER OF A MANCHESTER WARDER.

Earl of Lathom (Deputy Grand Master and Provincial Grand Master of West Lancashire), Lord Leigh (Provincial Grand Master for Warwickshire), Lord Euston (Provincial Grand Master for Northamptonshire and Huntingdonshire), Sir Albert W. Woods (Garter) (Grand Director of Ceremonies), Colonel Shadwell H. Clerke (Grand Secretary). On arrival at the hall, their Royal Highnesses were received by the Earls of Carnarvon and Lathom, and conducted to the box set apart for their accommodation. After the head governess, Miss Davis, and the matron had been presented to the Princess of Wales) the gold and silver medallists of the year gave her Royal Highness bouquets. The ceremonies of the day commenced with the children, to the number of 230, forming line and singing the "Old Hundredth." They then went through calisthenic exercises, marching, and drill, all of which were performed in an admirable manner. The Princess of Wales afterwards presented Mabel Osmond with the gold medal of the institution and £5, and Agnes Stephenson with the silver medal and £5, the Countess of Carnarvon distributing the other prizes. It was reported that in the Cambridge Local Examinations the school did very well, fifteen out of eighteen candidates sent up for examination passing in the Cambridge Local, while twenty-eight out of thirty-one passed the examination of the College of Preceptors. After the distribution of prizes there were recitations and musical performances by the pupils.

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The centenary festival of the Royal Masonic Institution for Girls, which was depicted some time ago in *The Penny Illustrated Paper*, and which was founded in 1788 by Chevalier Ruspini, Surgeon-Dentist to George III., was a remarkable Masonic gathering. It was arranged that it should be held at the Albert Hall on Thursday evening, the Prince of Wales presiding, his Royal Highness being accompanied by the King of Sweden and Norway, the Earl of Carnarvon, the Earl of Lathom, Lord Leigh, the Earl of Euston, Sir George Elliot, M.P., and all the other Grand Masters of the various English Masonic provinces. There were about 1400 stewards for the occasion, and several thousand masons agreed to be present. The Danish Exhibition and grounds were thrown open for their accommodation during the evening. The brethren of the Order made an exceptionally strong effort to celebrate this festival in a manner worthy of such an event: and the managers of the institution have resolved to distinguish the hundredth year of the institution's existence by so enlarging the establishment as to accommodate a far larger number of children than are now within its walls.

A HANDY METHOD OF SAVING LIFE AT FIRES.
[*See "Philip's" London Letter.*]

The cost of the proposed improvements is estimated at nearly £20,000. We trust Masonry may continue to flourish within the United Kingdom, as there cannot be a doubt that its hearty benevolence, administered with unfailing considerateness and delicacy, does much to relieve sorrowing widows, and to give the warm-hearted helping hand in the hour of need to the orphan 'reft of breadwinner.

COPENHAGEN EXHIBITION.

SEEING that the sweet Danish Princess who reigns in all our hearts still finds old home-ties draw her to Denmark in the autumn, with the Prince of Wales and their family, Copenhagen is naturally becoming in greater favour as a touring head-centre for British tourists. The interesting Exhibition we depict will increase the attractiveness of Copenhagen. We hear that

DANISH ART AND INDUSTRIAL EXHIBITION AT COPENHAGEN.

among the distinguished visitors expected at the Danish capital during the summer are the Emperor and Empress of Russia, the King and Queen of Greece and the Hellenic Royal family, the King and Queen of Saxony, besides the Prince and Princess of Wales, and several members of reigning families in Germany. The Exhibition is situated near the Central Railway Station; and the tasteful building was designed by Mr. Nyrop. The Pleasure Gardens of the Copenhagen Exhibition, like those of the Anglo-Danish Exhibition in London, are keenly appreciated by the Danes. Electricity is the illuminating power.

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The Copenhagen Exhibition constitutes the principal attraction of the present season, consisting, as it does, of an exhaustive display of the manufactures, arts, and agriculture of the three sister countries of Denmark, Norway, and Sweden, enriched by valuable loans from abroad. Of these latter, England sends a large and costly collection of Scandinavian objects from the South Kensington Museum. Similar loans have been received from Germany and Russia; while France has shown her sympathy by contributing a unique collection of pictures, statues, and other art objects of exceptional interest and beauty.

An unusual number of fêtes have been organised for the summer months, King Christian leading the way with a sumptuous Court entertainment given to the Foreign Commissioners.

THE EDGWARE-ROAD FIRE.

We trust the sadly fatal fire which occurred on the morning of the Derby Day, in the Edgware-road—the fearful conflagration our Artist illustrates—will stimulate Captain Shaw to keep all our gallant London firemen on the alert, so that reprehensible delay in the bringing of a fire-escape may in the future be avoided in any fire. This terrible fire broke out in broad daylight, and shortly before the hour when business operations would be going on, and unfortunately five women were burnt to death and several injured in attempting to make good their escape. The scene of this disaster was the extensive premises of

MESSRS. E. AND R. GARROULD,

silk mercers and general milliners and drapers, who carry on business at Nos. 150 to 158, Edgware-road, and whose premises also occupy frontages in the adjoining Queen-street. The premises were closed in the ordinary way at eleven o'clock on the Tuesday night, when some twenty-five young women engaged in the establishment retired to rest in the upper floors of the Edgware-road building, while the servants and the housekeeper slept in the Queen-street part of the premises, and over two dozen employés slept in a separate building in Edgware-road. At a little after six o'clock the cook rose, and a very few minutes afterwards there was an

OUTBREAK OF FIRE

in one of the three comparatively small shops in Queen-street. It is necessary to explain that the entire premises were in communication throughout, and that a large staircase led from the Queen-street premises to the upper floors of the Edgware-road building. One of the first to raise the alarm was the head-porter, a man named

GEORGE ELLIOTT,

who slept in the building where the outbreak first made its appearance, and who found his means of exit partly cut off by the heat of the flames. He rushed into the area and called loudly for help. His cries were heard by a coffeestall-keeper close by, and in a few seconds attracted the attention of the police. The man was released, and then not a second was lost in raising the alarm. In two minutes, however, the scene, upon which the sun was actually shining, became a remarkable and very exciting one. The fire had run up the staircase of which mention has been made, and the smoke and the crackling of wood had together sufficed to arouse some of the young women sleeping in front. In a short time loud screams began to be heard from within. The windows in the front were thrown up, and the affrighted people loudly screamed to those below for help. Here an unfortunate fact has to be recorded, for

THE FIRE-ESCAPES,

of which there was one stationed during the night within 150 yards of the burning building, had gone off duty at six o'clock and had been wheeled away from their accustomed spots. The young women were panic-stricken, and ran about partially dressed, in a state of great excitement and with very little presence of mind. The head dressmaker, a French lady, however, used most strenuous efforts to allay the extreme fright of the unfortunate creatures, and with praiseworthy presence of mind led them down a staircase by which many of them were brought to the back windows looking out on to the leads at the rear of the building.

MDLLE. ELISE CHUARD,

the principal dressmaker in question, thus clearly described her commendable presence of mind at this juncture whilst under examination at the inquest:—

I have been with the firm eight years, and had several ladies—about sixty during the season—under me. Only a few slept on the premises. The factory inspector visited us. On the morning of the fire, at half-past six o'clock, I was awakened by a tremendous crash of glass. I occupied a room at the back, in the top of 154. A young lady in my bed-room asked what it was, and on looking out through the blind I saw nothing. Then I heard a crackling, and opened the door, but was at once obliged to close it again on account of the smoke. I rushed back to the window, and saw black smoke coming from the windows on the right. Then I managed to get to the front room, and found there four young ladies, whom I asked to follow me. We went downstairs, but we were unable to pass on account of the smoke. I took them back to the front room, and then went downstairs, covering my face as I went. Then I rushed back and told them to make another effort. They did so. One wanted to go back for her watch, but I would not let her. We got downstairs into the young man's bed-room, from there to the work-room, and thence on to the leads, from which we were rescued. I have often told the young ladies that this was the only way we could be rescued in case of fire. I had often thought of the contingency of fires. There were nine of us rescued.

The Coroner (to the Jury).—I promise to bring the conduct of this young lady before the Society for the Protection of Life from Fire.

The alarm of "Fire" meanwhile had spread in the neighbourhood, and many willing hands came to their aid, among them being a gang of painters who had just begun work close by. These

PROMPTLY RAN UP WITH THEIR LADDERS

and did good service in rescuing the young women from their peril.

MR. STEVENSON,

one of the employés of the firm, who had been aroused by the screams, crawled along the parapet and went over the top of the leads to the window to render help. The first thing he saw was a young lady with her arms and hands scorched trying to remove the bars from the window in order to jump out. Mr. Stevenson succeeded in pulling the bars off and assisted her out.

A LABOURER NAMED DAVID BUCHANAN

placed a ladder against one of the windows; but finding it too short, managed to climb up to the window-sill, from which, by an exertion of extraordinary physical strength, he was enabled to bring down one of the young women to the ladder, and thus secure her safety. One young woman, Alice Buttifant, jumped from the rear of the premises, through a skylight, and sustained very serious injuries, having cut her legs dangerously and injured her kneecap, besides suffering severe burns. She was instantly taken to St. Mary's Hospital. Four other patients were taken to the hospital and placed under the care of Dr. Harvey Norton, the house-surgeon. One was Anne Webb, aged twenty-five, who sustained injuries to her back through jumping out of a window on to a tarpaulin which was spread to receive her. Another was Jane Louisa Fletcher, aged thirty, who was seriously burnt; and the third, Jane Bowie, aged thirty, who was also badly burnt.

By this time the fire engines had arrived and commenced to play upon the burning building. Further aid was sent for, and steamers were dispatched from various stations in the West-End district. By the time five steamers were at work the front buildings were all ablaze, and all further entry into the premises was out of the question, and at about this time it was ascertained by the officials calling over the names of the employés that five of them were missing. The fire at this time had such a complete hold on the building that there was no hope of rescuing any persons who remained in the premises. By ten o'clock the fire was completely subdued, when a search was instituted and the

CHARRED REMAINS OF FIVE WOMEN

were discovered. On the second floor at 58, Queen-street, were found the two female assistants, and in the room on the top floor of 150, Edgware-road three other women were discovered, near a window at which they had previously stood, death having, in each case but one, apparently resulted from suffocation. The exception had a peculiarly pathetic interest attaching to it. The young lady was a Miss Ellen Cowell, twenty-seven, an assistant at the establishment of Mr. G. Blowers, 59 and 63, Brixton-road, who had obtained leave to attend the wedding of a friend, and who was staying in the house as the guest of Mrs. Hannah Glew, the housekeeper. Mrs. Glew, a lady of about fifty years of age, was also amongst the dead, and so were Miss M. W. Berry, aged twenty-five, of 29, Carlton-road, Manor Park; Miss Emma Margaret Edwards, aged thirty-five, whose parents reside at Tiverton; and Miss Agnes Hyland, aged twenty-four, of 87, Coldharbour-lane, Camberwell. Miss Cowell was burnt about the head in a most shocking manner, and there was little reason to doubt that her death was directly due to the flames, which overtook her as she was endeavouring to attract attention from the window. The firm estimate their material damage at £60,000.

CAPTAIN SHAW'S OFFICIAL REPORT

of the fire was as follows:—

Called at 6.15 a.m. to 150, 152, 154, 156, and 158, Edgware-road, premises owned and occupied by Messrs. E. and R. Garrould, drapers; cause of fire unknown; contents and building insured in the Sun and other offices. Damage.—Nos. 150, 152, and 154, buildings of two, four, and five floors, about 80 ft. by 60 ft. in dimensions, back basement and three upper floors and the contents burnt out and roofs off; rest of buildings and contents seriously damaged by fire, heat, and water; Nos. 156 and 158, ditto, buildings of three floors, 80 ft. by 30 ft., and the contents damaged by heat, smoke, and water; Nos. 57 and 58, Queen-street, ditto; two shops and houses of ten rooms each, and the contents nearly burnt out and the roofs off (all adjoining and communicating). Miss Glew, Agnes Hyland, M. W. Berry, Emma Margaret Edwards, and Hannah Glew, aged, respectively, twenty, twenty-four, twenty-five, thirty-five, and fifty-five, burnt to death. Jane Bowie and Jane Louisa Fletcher, both about thirty years of age, severely burnt on faces and hands; Miss Buttifant, aged about twenty-nine, severely injured by jumping from second-floor window; and Annie Webb, aged twenty-five, severely injured by jumping from third floor.

ACCIDENTAL ORIGIN OF THE FIRE.

At the inquest on the bodies of the victims, opened by Dr. Danford Thomas at the Ossington Coffee Tavern on June 1, Mr. Swinford expressed on behalf of Messrs. Garrould how deeply they lamented what had occurred, and their sympathy with the friends of the deceased—Emma M. Edwards, Agnes Hyland, Martha Berry, Ellen Cowell, and Hannah Glew. After Mr. Charles Garrould and Elliott, the porter, had narrated their painful experiences at the fire, the girl who was first astir on the fatal morning gave important evidence.

Ellen Walker, the kitchenmaid, said she had been in the employ of Messrs. Garrould for two months and a week as kitchenmaid. On the Wednesday morning, at a quarter-past six, she got up and went downstairs. She turned on the gas-meter, after which she went to the kitchen and lit the gas there. She afterwards went to the boot-room and lit the gas there, and there got some wood, which she took to the kitchen, but did not see the barrel of carbon in the passage. When she lit the gas in the boot-room she threw the match down, but whether it was alight or not she could not remember. When in the kitchen she heard a cracking noise, and then noticed the wood by the staircase on fire. She then went to Elliott's room and called him, but found that he was gone, on which she ran to the kitchen, from which she went to the dining-room. She got to the area grating and was rescued from there by a policeman.

THE BUILDINGS PRONOUNCED DANGEROUSLY LARGE.

Mr. Hyman Collins, architect and surveyor, one of the district surveyors for the City, stated that he had examined the premises, and he found that these houses in Edgware-road, and two others, had been thrown into one, and found that, under the Building Act, there was an infringement with regard to these buildings, which ought to have had fireproof dividing walls. All of the party walls had openings, which ought not to have been.

[A direct hint to local surveyors generally to imperatively command other householders to see at once to the safety of their premises!]

CONSTABLES GREEN, NEWALL, AND BONE,

as proved at the adjourned inquest on Monday, evidently distinguished themselves by their promptitude and humanity at the fire. Constable James Green, D 157, deposed to running to Cambridge-terrace for the fire-escape, and finding that it had gone, and afterwards returning to the fire and assisting some of the inmates to escape. Constable Thomas Newall also gave

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evidence as to assisting some young ladies out of the building. Both of these constables were night men, who had finished duty and were going home; but they both stated that they considered themselves in a sense as never off duty, and always regarded themselves as ready to be called upon in any emergency. Constable Bone, D 77, another night duty man, also rendered good service.

LONDON FIREMEN

are renowned for their bravery. They almost nightly imperil their lives freely in the cause of humanity. Wherefore, we hesitate to cast blame on any members of this gallant body. At the same time, it is our duty to mention what was stated with respect to two of the firemen at the inquest. Mr. Hutton represented fire-escape men Holloway and George, suspended from duty by Captain Shaw pending the result of the inquest. The two firemen who left Connaught-place about the time the fire broke out denied knowing anything about the fire until they reached Seymour-place. Some people called out to them that there was a house burning, and they determined to report the circumstance when they arrived at the fire-station. But, learning that an engine had proceeded to the fire, they concluded that would be sufficient.

THE RELIEF FUND

for the needy sufferers from the fire soon reached generous proportions. Lord Randolph Churchill and Mr. John Aird, M.P. (who live in the neighbourhood), headed the list of subscribers with £50 each. Well done, both! Acting with similarly benevolent promptitude, Mr. Edward Lawson, Managing Proprietor of the *Daily Telegraph*, subscribed £100 to the fund; and charitably threw open the columns of the *Telegraph* to long lists of contributions from the public and from numerous drapery and other firms, great and small. We quote a few of the *Telegraph* subscriptions:—

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Turner and Son, hood manufacturers, Edgware-road	9	17	10
Drapers' Assistants in Newmarket	2	2	0

THE MANCHESTER MURDER.

IN *The Penny Illustrated Paper* of last week we recorded the determined murder of Assistant-Warder Webb, of Strangeways Prison, on May 22, by a brutal convict, whose escape and fugitive wanderings, varied by occasional reckless burglaries, have been the theme of general conversation. In the interests of Justice, we now print a Portrait from a photograph of

CHARLES WOOD FIRTH,

alias Charles Williamson Firth, Charles Wilson, John Jackson, Edward Graham, Fred Smith, &c., who was "wanted" for this shocking murder. It will be judged from his villanous countenance that he belongs to the criminal classes, whose bold savagery our Police make so resolute a fight against, not without considerable danger to themselves. This Charles Wood Firth, alias Graham, &c., is officially described as:—

"Aged thirty-three years; height, 5 ft. 5½ in.; round face; fresh complexion; hazel eyes, very prominent; dark brown hair; cut mark on nose; scar left side of neck; mole left side of back; abscess mark on left or right groin; proportionate build; a plumber by trade; and native of Birstal, in Yorkshire.

"Firth has worked in a foundry, and been employed as stoker on steam-boats between Liverpool and New York. He has a small lump on first finger of left hand, caused by a cut from a knife, but which he can hide with his thumb. He has also a manner of not looking straight at the person with whom he is in conversation. Firth escaped from Wakefield Jail on Aug. 9, 1883, where he was undergoing a sentence of six months for housebreaking. When last seen, he was dressed as follows:—Brown ribbed-cloth jacket, brown cloth buttons; a white linen jacket with metal buttons; brown and red mixture tweed vest, and two-peaked cap. *But no doubt he will since have changed his clothing.*

"For several months previous to his arrest, Firth was in the habit of travelling from town to town, and making friends with captains of the Salvation Army, whose houses he afterwards plundered. He generally took lodgings with quiet respectable families."

The photograph of Firth from which our Engraving was copied represents him with eyes half-closed, and with bestial looseness of the flesh about the exceptionally large and wide jaws—this last being a not uncommon feature with persons of criminal proclivities. But, as this photograph is in the hands of the most skilful physiognomists of the force, Firth will probably strive to change his identity. He cannot, however, well rid himself of the marks defined above. We may add that on Saturday night last orders were read from the Chief Commissioner of Police to the men at all the Metropolitan stations informing them that information had been received at Scotland-yard that Firth or Jackson had been seen in High-street, Borough, and ordering all men to keep a strict look-out. Full descriptions of him with his various aliases have been well circulated.

THE SALVATION ARMY.

THE strength of General Booth's popular and lively religious organisation has been shown anew, this week, in the Strand. There can be no question that by the efforts of such devoted labourers as the lady here sketched the Salvation

MRS. COOK, A SALVATION ARMY "SLUM SAVIOUR."

Army reaches a section of the people that the Established Church has lately failed to redeem. Repugnant to many as are the vivacious demonstrations of the Salvation Army, they should teach the Church the advantage of cheeriness. At Exeter Hall, on Monday last, was opened a convention of Salvationists, who assembled under the direction of General Booth. The subject for consideration was "The Christianity of Christ." Meetings were held in the morning, afternoon, and evening. The attendance was large. A large number of officers were present on the platform, including representatives from India, Africa, Norway, and other countries. The special division of the subject set apart for the morning meeting was "What is it?" The General, in the course of his address, emphasised the necessity that a Christian should have the spirit and nature of Christ. In the afternoon the subject selected was "Testimonies of those who enjoy it." The General, in opening the proceedings, expressed the opinion that they had present such a congregation of nations as had never stood on a platform before in Great Britain, and mentioned that they had a representative of the dying-out natives of Australia. The object of their meetings and testimonies was, he said, that more people should get Christianity. Similar services were held at Exeter Hall on Tuesday.

TO STUDENTS.—To all those who burn the "Midnight Oil," engaged in mental labour, we would recommend CADBURY'S COCOA; its comforting, exhilarating, and sustaining powers are extraordinary. Beware of imitations.—[ADVT.]

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Chat of the London Gossips.

["WHAT THE *World* SAYS."]

THE RIGHT HON. EDWARD STANHOPE, the able and energetic Secretary of State for War, has more than once been portrayed in this paper. But the genial manner of this courteous administrator has never been hit off more happily than it is this week by the clever writer of the *World's* "Celebrity at Home." Lord Salisbury's War Secretary is limned at his country seat, Revesby Abbey. Referring to the Stanhope motto of *A Deo et rege* (From God and the King), the *World* Celebrator says:—

"No Secretary for War could possibly claim a more appropriate device, and you cannot help being struck with the coincidence as Mr. Edward Stanhope, clad in a suit of gray tweed, with a posy of newly-gathered lilies of the valley in his buttonhole, comes across the grass plot to welcome you to Revesby with a cordiality which the interruption of his brief holiday can hardly justify.

"Mr. Edward Stanhope's study at the south-west angle of the Abbey commands a full view of the serpentine fountain, the statues, and the shrubbery. The deep sofa in the bay window is entirely given up at present to the War Office and its concerns. The F.O. telegram-bag lies close to Colonel Grove's letter-bag; and a suspicion crosses your mind that Mr. Stanhope is possibly relieving the tedium of life in the country by looking through sundry agreements for the hire of horses, and dealing with the documents labelled 'special promotions.'

"Gardening and travel, divided by Sir Edward Hamley's 'Operations of War,' appear to be more adequately represented on Mr. Stanhope's bookshelves than any other subject. A volume of the *Figaro*, published during the siege of Paris, rests against the great Danish press. Mr. Stanhope possesses presentation copies of her Majesty's 'Journal in the Highlands' and the whole of the original sketches for that once famous satirical journal, 'Don Pirlone'; but, more than anything else, he values the Grangerised edition of his father's 'Life of Pitt,' which represents the unofficial toil of several years."

A detachment of the Queen's Own Cameron Highlanders has been sent to Ballater, to serve as a guard of honour during the residence of the Court at Balmoral.

Madame Patti leaves Buenos Ayres for England on Aug. 10.

The Prince of Wales is to be the guest of the Duke and Duchess of St. Albans, at Bestwood Lodge, Notts, from Monday, July 9, till Wednesday, the 11th, during the week of the Royal Agricultural Show at Nottingham.

The Emperor of Brazil has been saved from syncope by respirations of oxygen gas, accompanied by frequent hypodermic injections of caffeine, of which, on one day, he took the enormous quantity of thirty-one grains in twenty-one hours. There were also hypodermic injections of ether and strychnine.

Prince and Princess Edward of Saxe-Weimar left their quarters at the Metropole on Thursday week for Dublin. During their stay there they entertained the Princess of Wales and her daughters at tea.

The Duke of Cambridge goes down to Crewe on Saturday to open the Queen's Park, which the London and North-Western Railway Company presented to the town. A luncheon, a procession, and an inspection of Engineer Volunteers are all in the programme, and H.R.H. is to receive a gold key, as well as an address, from the youthful Corporation.

A charming present of lace of Nottingham manufacture has been forwarded by the Mayor of Nottingham to Princess Louise.

Mr. Maple has purchased Falmouth House, Archer's residence at Newmarket, with its grounds; and I hear that he got the place very cheap, the price being under £5000, whereas it cost Archer upwards of £20,000, but the executors were glad to sell on any terms.

Mr. Maple intends to build a large range of racing stables, and his horses will be permanently trained at Newmarket by the eldest son of Robert Peck, who has been educated in the profession by Gurry at Bedford Lodge.

Mr. J. A. Rolls, late member for Monmouth, has just presented a handsome Townhall to that ancient borough at a cost of some £8000.

The season at Scarborough has commenced this year much earlier than usual. The Lutz band has been playing for nearly a month.

Mr. Edward Smith, the well-known banker at Monte Carlo, has been appointed English Vice-Consul for the principality of Monaco.

Mr. Henry Irving has just purchased a house in Portland-place, where he will establish himself very shortly. His lovely suburban place, The Grange, Brook-green, is for sale.

The Duke of Orleans, attended by Colonel De Perseval, has joined the 4th Battalion King's Royal Rifles in India for a course of military training.

The Prince of Wales and his son at Epsom on the Derby Day both wore light grey coats, with pink carnations in their button-holes; the Princess of Wales came to Epsom in cardinal crimson; her daughters were dressed in the coolest of foulard, and Princess Mary of Teck looked very well in olive-green.

Princess Louise and Lord Lorne were present at a "private view" of "Niagara in London" the other day. "Niagara" is a great success, and is crowded daily.

The Horse Guards' Parade was the trysting-place of society on Saturday morning. Never did the Trooping of the Colours take place under more favourable auspices. The Princess of Wales, in cherry colour and black, occupied her usual place in the festooned window. Her three daughters looked refreshingly cool in maize dresses.

["*Truth* TO TELL."]

The Queen and one or two members of the Royal family are desirous of learning Hindustani, and a young Indian Prince is coming to England to act as instructor to these Royal students.

I am glad to see that the Prince of Wales has declined to sanction the erection at Bristol of a statue of Prince Albert Victor, which Commander Sayce offered to present to the town.

Prince Alexander of Teck has just been sent to Eton. The Duchess of Cambridge defrays all the educational expenses of her grandchildren.

Mrs. Oppenheim intends to give a ball next month, at which the Prince and Princess of Wales have promised to be present.

Woodhall Spa, the resuscitated Lincolnshire watering-place, which is promoted by a syndicate consisting of Messrs. Stanhope and Chaplin and the Attorney-General, is surrounded by pleasant grounds; a number of villas have been built, and a hospital for poor patients is being erected. The Woodhall water is bromo-iodine, and it is by far the strongest of that kind in Europe, having six times more iodine and fifty per cent more bromide than the water of Kreuznach.

Lord Rosebery will not be at Ascot, as he has engaged to address political meetings at Inverness and at Wick on June 14 and 15.

Lord Tennyson intends to pass next winter on the Riviera, and he is negotiating for a villa at Cannes.

The Duke of Edinburgh has lent a cabinet of violins to the Bologna Exhibition, and it contains a number of splendid instruments, including very fine specimens of Stradivarius and Amato and Guarnieri, and several beautiful Cremonas.

Mr. Gladstone has given a splendid puff to "Robert Elsmere," but a more tiresome book I have seldom come across, nor one more thoroughly dull and heavy.

The usual Hospital Sunday collections will be taken in London on June 10.

Mr. Goring Thomas's "Nadeshda" [composed expressly for Mr. Carl Rosa] has been accepted as the principal novelty at the Berlin Opera House next winter. English music seems to be looking up.

I hear that a contract has just been concluded between Mr. Barton McGuckin and Mr. Carl Rosa, whereby Mr. McGuckin rejoins the Carl Rosa Opera Company in August next, for the season 1888-9.

"Madge," the merrily-observant, writing of the *Bal Poudré* at the Hôtel Métropole, says:—

"An unusually graceful dancer wore black-and-white striped silk over white tulle, and had a swallow in her powdered hair. She waltzed with such delightful ease, and so much skill, that conversation with her partner went on without interruption. But very few people now make a breathless rush of the valse, as there was once much inclination to do. There seems to be a tendency to reintroduce the slow waltz, quite the most graceful of all the varieties of that most popular of dances.

"A little lady, whose colouring was as lovely as her figure, wore a quite delicious gown of pale-blue tulle and blue and silver brocade, with a Venetian collar of pearls and silver. She carried a fan of glorious pink roses, and wore one in the bodice of her gown. I liked very much a dress in a wide stripe of palest grey and fawn. It was so well-made that the train left nothing to be desired in point of grace, and was easily manageable in the convolutions of the 'square.' And, oh! how gloriously the 19th Lancers played, Amy, dear! The band was embowered upon a platform under giant palms, their round, white caps looking quite tropical beneath the greenery.

Sport.

TATTERSALL'S AND COMING EVENTS.

WITH such an important settling as that involved by the Derby week, a very large attendance at "the Corner" was obtained last Monday, and in the intervals between the adjustment of accounts a few wagers were ratified. Crowberry's prospects in the Grand Prize of Paris were so highly thought of that 250 to 200 was accepted, and some smaller transactions at a similar rate were also effected. For the Royal Hunt Cup, Candlemas was supported at 100 to 9, and 20 to 1 was taken about Veracity, Florentine, and Grandison. Ayrshire was backed for the St. Leger at 1000 to 400, and 1000 to 200 was booked in favour of Seabreeze, while at 5 to 1 and 10 to 1 respectively Crowberry and Friar's Balsam were each intrusted with £100. Quotations:—

GRAND PRIX DE PARIS. (*Run Sunday, June* 10.)

250 to 200 agst Crowberry (t).

ASCOT ROYAL HUNT CUP. (*Run on June* 13.)

100 to 9 agst Candlemas (t)	33 to 1 agst Albertus (t)
20 to 1 —— Florentine (t)	33 to 1 —— Deuce of Clubs (t)
20 to 1 —— Grandison (t & o)	33 to 1 —— Wiseman (t)
20 to 1 —— Veracity (t)	

ST. LEGER. (*Run Sept.* 12.)

1000 to 400 agst Ayrshire (t)	500 to 100 agst Crowberry (t)
1000 to 200 —— Seabreeze (t)	1000 to 100 —— Friar's Balsam (t)

AYRSHIRE AND SEABREEZE,

as predicted by "Augur," having respectively won the Derby and the Oaks, there was for fashionable race-goers a quiet week before the gregarious gathering at Ascot, to which the gay triflers with life are bound to sheepishly flock with that slavish obedience to Society fixtures which paralyses them for duty. For the blithesome "book-makers" who gain goodly livings by betting, York, Doncaster, and Lewes meetings have been the chief events of this week.

THE GREAT NORTHERN HANDICAP

was won at York on Tuesday by Banter five lengths ahead of Selby. Sharper led off by winning the Scurry Stakes; St. Hubert took the Glasgow Plate; and Houndsditch, the Zetland Stakes. Loch Leven won the Stand Stakes; and Paget the Knavesmire Plate; the Craven falling to Yarm.

THE GRAND STEEPLECHASE OF PARIS.

The International Steeplechase at Auteuil last Sunday was attended by more people than have been seen on the course before. This was in some measure owing to the announcement of the intention of the President of the Republic to be present. When he arrived he was cheered. In the portion of the grand stand reserved for the President were Madame Carnot and Madame Floquet. The racing was extremely exciting. There were numerous falls, and one jockey had his collar-bone broken, and another was rather seriously injured. M. Moncrieffe's Parasang won the Grand Steeplechase by a length from Fierté.

POLE JUMP.

On Saturday last, at the Southport Amateur Athletic Society's meeting, the existing record of 11 ft. 6½ in., made by Tom Ray, was beaten by E. Stones, of Ulverton, who cleared the extraordinary height of 11 ft. 7 in. Ray, who has held the championship for many years, failed to clear 11 ft. 2 in.

RANELAGH HARRIERS

held their annual athletic meeting at Stamford-bridge Grounds, Chelsea, on Saturday last, when a large and fashionable company of spectators patronised the gathering. The principal feature of the day was the capital running of W. Lock, the veteran member of the Spartan Harriers, who won the final heat of the 120 yards open handicap from the six yards' mark in the very excellent time of 11 4-5 sec.; W. A. Palmer, of the Highgate Harriers, 10½ yards start, was second, only a few inches off, and G. W. Hanwell, L.A.C., 6½ yards start, third. The one mile open handicap was won by H. Rogers, R.H., 100 yards start, by 7 yards from W. A. Charley, in 4 min. 26 sec. The one mile walking handicap was secured by F. Dorking, of the Finchley Harriers, who received 130 yards start, and who completed the distance in 6 min. 43 sec.; C. F. H. Love, of the Portsmouth Harriers, 85 yards start, was second. The winners of the other open events were:—One mile bicycle handicap, J. S. Reekie, Polytechnic C.C., 180 yards start; and 300 yards handicap, W. Doggett, S.L.H., 30 yards start.

ENGLISH FOOTBALLERS AT SYDNEY.

On Saturday last, 15,000 people assembled at Sydney, New South Wales, to witness the first match played in Australia proper by the English football team. Their opponents were Fifteen of New South Wales. The Englishmen won the match by two goals and six tries to one try obtained by the Sydney men.

THE ROYAL THAMES YACHT CLUB

commenced their season last Monday. The principal contest was for yachts over sixty tons, in which Mr. Paul A. Rallis's new yacht, the Garana, which was making her second appearance in a contest, acquitted herself with great credit, as she gained first prize by 11 min. over and above her allowance of 12 min. 20 sec. which she received from the celebrated Irex. The Petronilla, another new yacht of the same rating as the Garana, finished second, the Irex being third.

SIX DAYS' WALK AT BINGLEY HALL.

This event, twelve hours per day, promoted by the proprietors of *Sport and Play*, commenced at Bingley Hall, Birmingham, last Monday morning. The following men duly appeared at the mark:—Joe Scott, Australia; H. Lowder, London; A. Tomlin, Birmingham; J. Sexton, Cardiff; W. Franks, Chelsea; W. Clarkson, London; W. Sutcliffe, Sowerby-bridge; H. Head, Brighton; G. Downing, North Ormesby; E. Owers, Surrey; J. S. Robson, Everton; W. Smith, Worcester; C. Chater, Birmingham; A. Shipley, Birmingham; R. H. Smith, Birmingham; W. Corbett, Aberdeen; R. Wallain, London; J. Crowley, Birmingham. An excellent track, measuring twelve laps to the mile, had been laid, and a start was made at eleven. The following were the distances covered by the leaders at the close of the first day's walk:—Joe Scott, 63 miles 5 laps; Head, 59 miles 2 laps; Franks, 58 miles 2 laps; Owers, 56 miles 10 laps.

CRICKET.

The Australians got another "licking" at the close of last week. On the match between Australians and Players being resumed at the Oval on June 1 the first innings of the Australians was closed for 127. As this total was 104 below the first innings' score of the Players, the visitors followed on, but they made only 114 in their second innings, thus leaving the Players in the position of wanting only a dozen runs to win. These were quickly made by Abel and Ulyett, and the Players won by ten wickets.

The Notts amateurs, Messrs. Dixon and Daft, batted excellently against the Colonial bowling last Monday at the Trent-Bridge Ground, and the county innings, which, from the speedy dismissal of Scotton, Gunn, and Barnes, looked like being a very small affair, reached a respectable total (215). The Australians were got out on Tuesday for 76 and 175; and Notts won easily.

Sussex would probably have won the match at Manchester against Lancashire, last Saturday, had not rain caused it to end in a draw. Mr. W. Newnham's 128 for Sussex was well matched by Briggs's 126 (not out) for Lancashire.

Yorkshire v. Leicestershire was drawn at Huddersfield, last Saturday, in favour of Yorkshire.

Lancashire v. Middlesex, commenced at Lord's last Monday, saw the Lancashire lads dismissed for 108 in their first innings. Middlesex replied with 171. Barlow's 84 and Mr. J. Eccles's 97 were the features of Lancashire's second innings.

Dr. W. G. Grace, playing for M.C.C. against the University last Monday, added another to his long list of batting achievements. Going in first in the Club's innings Mr. Grace remained at the wickets two hours and twenty-five minutes, and only just missed reaching his hundred. He was out fourth, with the total at 145, and of this number he scored no fewer than 95. M.C.C. totalled 210.

Surrey, playing their best available eleven against Essex, had matters very much their own way at Leyton on Monday; as, after dismissing their opponents in two hours for 106, they stayed at the wickets the remainder of the afternoon, and scored 218 for the loss of only three batsmen. The feature of the day's cricket was the partnership of Abel and Mr. W. W. Read in the Surrey innings. They became associated when the score was 51, and in the course of the two hours they were together they increased the total by 153 runs. On Tuesday, Surrey won by an innings and 173 runs.

The match between the M.C.C. and Hampshire was concluded on Tuesday at Southampton. The M.C.C. won by six wickets.

Yorkshire v. Sussex kept the game alive at Sheffield last Monday.

MATCHES TO CLOSE THE WEEK.

Commenced on Thursday:—At Lords, Middlesex v. Nottinghamshire; at the Oval, Surrey v. Yorkshire; at Cambridge, the Australians v. Cambridge University; at Gloucester, Gloucestershire v. Lancashire; at Sunderland, Sussex v. Durham; at Norwich, Marylebone Club and Ground v. Norfolk; at Worcester, Worcestershire v. East Gloucestershire.

Friday:—At Leyton, Gentlemen of Essex v. the Parsees; at Stoke, Staffordshire v. Warwickshire; at Oxford, Perambulators v. Etoferæ; at Chatham, Royal Engineers v. Band of Brothers.

Saturday:—At Eton, the College v. Lords and Commons; at Vincent-Square, Marylebone Club and Ground v. Westminster School.

MIND YOUR EYE!

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THE IRISH EXHIBITION IN LONDON.

THE SHOWMAN.

Ladies and Gentlemen,—

Fall in! Fall in, ye patriots! The cry of "Danger from Invasion!" still resounds. Brave and bonny Plymouth valorously prepares to celebrate in a luminous manner the three hundredth birthday of the Defeat of the Spanish Armada. Yet the Alarmists are not happy. They make pretence to fear General Boulanger—although the French Assembly *did* outvote their ride-a-cock-horse General by 377 to 186 votes last Monday as ever was. Boulanger is the "bogey" of Lord Charley Beresfordino (who thinks himself equal to commanding the Channel Fleet by day and judging an Italian Opera donna by night!). Undeniably gallant as he is, Lord Charley is, I fear, a *leetle* theatrical—inevitable, mayhap, from his acquaintance with "behind the scenes." Had he his way, I make no doubt, friends, Lord Charley would quickly enrol for the defence of this "right little, tight little island" not only all the tuneful vocalists, principals and chorus, of 'Gus Harrisino's Royal Italian Opera; but would e'en blandly persuade Good Old Charley Morton to lend him the grand Amazonian Corps de Ballet of "Antiope" to man his Channel ships with.

Be of good cheer! We [illegible] magazine rifles; our War Office [illegible] most costly and least serviceable in Europe; the Services may be going to the Dogs, and Brewer Hanbury and Lord Charlie may wax merry as the shortcomings of the Army and Navy are pointed out in Parliament—what matter? Haven't we cool and plucky Lord Salisbury as National Drill-Master? Ye should see Salisbury's beaming smile in the House of Lords. That alone should be enough to stave off anxiety. My Lord Wolseley may tremble with fear; Camdux may do his best to damp the ardour of Volunteer sharpshooters by ruthlessly driving them from Wimbledon Common—despite the remonstrance of our shrewd Queen Victoria; but Salisbury smiles on. The bushy bearded Alchemist of Hatfield — the Slogger of the Peers — feels

reassured when he marshals his first line of defence—the "Union is Strength" Ministry. Note, that Joey Chamberlain and Lord Hartington don't *quite* keep step with their new allies. But, for all that, they form part and parcel of the Downing-street company, which would fall to pieces without their propping. They are united as much to keep Gladstone out as to "mark time" with respect to dear ould Oireland—prosperity to "the first gim of the say!"

"What an awkward squad!" Curly moustached Lord Randolph Churchill is the daring gamin who thus assails the Salisbury regiment. Confess, it *is* strange, very, to find Liberal Unionists closely leagued with their former political antagonists. Be that as it may—and I own very good friends of mine see nothing out of the way in this uncommon Siamese-Twins-like conjunction—still, there is one point on which all true and loyal Britons are firmly resolved: to maintain the supremacy of our Queen and the integrity of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland unimpaired. We unite as one man on that point. Nevertheless, give further local self-rule to Paddy, say I, and ye'll find in Sweet Erin a faithful and valourous friend in the hour of need, a contented co-worker in the piping times of Peace. So Success to the London "Paddyries!"

One word more! Natural feeling and policy alike demand that John Bull and Brother Jonathan should be not only cordially, but right heartily, allied by the firmest bonds. Lord Randolph Churchill knows this well enough. Hasn't he given strongest proof of this in wedding one of Columbia's most charming (as well as well-dowered) daughters? Believe me, our strongest national defence in the moment of supreme peril would be in the sterling brotherhood of our kith and kin on the other side of the Atlantic. Hail, Columbia and Canada! May the Stars and Stripes and Union Jack be ever intertwined in friendship—our greatest stronghold the closeknit Confederation of English-speaking Peoples all the world over!

CODLIN.

THE ANNUAL MEET OF CYCLISTS, which was held at Woodford last Saturday, was attended with great success. As many as 623 club riders and 40 unattached responded to the invitation of the promoting club—the North London Cyclists—and after parading at the Castle Hotel, rode in procession for some distance. Mr. G. H. W. Courtney was chief marshal, and Mr. H. T. Whorlow honorary secretary.

CYCLING AT DUBLIN AND BATH.

On Saturday, at Dublin, several interesting races, which were included in a cycling tournament, were decided. In the five miles championship of Ireland, Kilkelly, of Dublin University, was first, in 16 min. 44 sec. In the one mile professional race, Temple, of America, beat F. Wood, of Leicester, by six yards in 2 min. 40 sec. Temple also won the five miles race. The two miles tricycle-race fell to Lee, of Nottingham.

The Bath Road Cycling Club decided a fifty miles open handicap over the Great North Road on Saturday. The result was the victory of C. Smith, of the Bath Club, who received 16 min. start.

THE HARROW MISSION.—The consecration of Holy Trinity Church, Latimer-road, better known as "The Harrow Mission-Room," of which the foundation-stone was laid in May of last year by the Duchess of Albany, took place on Saturday. The Bishop of London presided. The musical portion of the service was rendered by boys from Harrow, of whom over seventy were present, the sermon being preached by the Bishop. The building is seated for over 700, and was built by the Harrow boys and friends, along with a contribution from the Bishop of London's Fund.

Record of Crime.

A LONDON VENDETTA,

tragic in its close as the dénouement of the Olympic drama of "Mr. Barnes, of New York," has been revealed through the activity of the Metropolitan Police, and especially of Detective-Inspector Robson, D Division, whose vigilance led to the arrest of foremost members of the band—the lads portrayed in *The Penny Illustrated Paper* of last week. At the Marylebone Police-Court, on Monday, before Mr. De Rutzen, George Galletly, eighteen, no occupation; William Elvis, sixteen, porter; Francis Cole, eighteen, porter; Peter Lee, nineteen, sailor; William Joseph Graefe, nineteen, cutter; William Henshaw, sixteen, French polisher; Charles Henry Govier, sixteen, farrier's boy; and Michael Duling, fifteen, porter, were brought up on remand, charged with being concerned together in wilfully murdering Joseph Rumbold, a printer's machinist, latterly residing at 9, Bridport-street, Blandford-square, by stabbing him in the back, at Regent's Park, on the 24th ult., when he was walking in the evening with his sweetheart, Elizabeth Lee, also sketched in *The Penny Illustrated* of last week. Mr. Angus Lewis appeared to prosecute on behalf of the Treasury.

THE TRAGEDY.

Mr. Angus Lewis said that on Wednesday, May 23, Cole was with a young woman named Lizzie Chapman in the Marylebone-road, near Lisson-grove, when a lad came up to them and asked Cole where he came from. Cole answered, "From the Hampstead-road;" and the lad inquired if he knew any of the Fitzroy-place lads. Cole said, "Yes; I do, and glad to know them, too." The lad told Cole he was wanted up the road; and when Cole and Chapman had walked a few yards, the lad gave a whistle, and twenty or thirty others came up. The young fellow asked the rest if they had any, and, on their saying they did not, he struck him in the face. Chapman remonstrated, and the lad struck her and gave her a black eye. Cole came to the conclusion that the lad who had assaulted him had come from Marylebone, and he determined to have his revenge. Accordingly, he spoke to a lad named Clarey, told him what had occurred, and asked him to come the next night and find out the lad who had struck him, and Clarey consented to do so. The next day Clarey met Galletly, who asked him to go with him, and at half-past seven that night they met, and went to the Fair in the Tottenham-court-road, where these youths were in the habit of meeting. Elvis and Duling met them, and they all started—a gang of eight. Lee, remarking that he had a knife to defend himself, pulled it out, and showed it to the others. It was in a leather sheath, attached to a belt. It had a blade 8in. in length, and was a murderous weapon. They walked about for some time, and then Galletly suggested they should go into Regent's Park, saying that they might perhaps see them there, as they usually walked in the park in the evening. They agreed to do so, and went into the park. Going along Galletly said to Lee:

"Lend me the knife."

Lee took off his belt and gave it and the knife to Galletly. The conversation between the lads showed that they intended using the knife. In the park they divided and went separate ways. Duling went by the way of York-terrace, and there they met the deceased (Rumbold), who was walking with a young girl, named Elizabeth Lee, their friend Alonzo Byrne and a young woman, being a short distance in the rear. This was about nine o'clock, when it was dark. The main body of the gang of lads entered the park, and Brown was sent to Clarence-gate to meet Elvis and Duling. The main body came across Byrne, who, being recognised by Clarey, was not molested. Rumbold was bleeding from the mouth, and when Byrne asked Galletly why he had done it, the latter replied that he was set upon a few nights previously by some lads of the Docks (referring to the Seven Dials boys). Byrne explained that Rumbold was a "Grove" (Lisson-grove) lad, and Galletly said, "Why, it is Grove lads that are bashing him now," and added that it was a mistake. Afterwards Galletly told Clarey that he had stabbed the man three times in the back, and later in the evening he showed him the knife with blood on it. Rumbold was conveyed to the hospital. The following morning Galletly told Clarey and Brown that he had thrown the knife down the sewer. Search had been made for it, and on May 30 it was found in the sewer in Upper Rathbone-place, under a ventilator in the roadway above, and which was near to where Galletly resided.

Witnesses having deposed to these facts, Mr. De Rutzen adjourned the case for another week. In the meantime Sir Charles Warren will, doubtless, see the importance of patrolling the lonely roads of Regent's Park with a few mounted police.

THE CLAN-NA-GAEL CONSPIRACY.

It is stated that John S. Walsh, whose presence in Paris was announced a few weeks ago, has been since then under close observation by the police, and finding, after an interview with an agent of Scotland-yard, how thoroughly they were acquainted with him and his doings, he at once abandoned his mission, and took passage for New York under the name of Walters, in the steam-ship Normandie, which sailed from Havre last Saturday. It is stated that this man was one of the salaried organisers of the Land League until January, 1883, when he fled to escape arrest for the Phœnix Park murders. The new plot of which he was chief agent is alleged to have been hatched in concert with Thomas Brennon, ex-Secrefary to the League, and certain of the Clan-na-Gael leaders in America. Brennon now lives in Omaha, Nebraska, not far from Lincoln, in the same State which is at present the home of Patrick Egan, principal Treasurer of the Land League. Although ostensibly a mere labourer, employed in a navy yard of New York, Walsh represented that his visit to Europe was a pleasure trip; but he has been receiving considerable sums of money, and only last week he showed a Scotland-yard officer three £20 Bank of England notes which had just reached him from a man named John Groves, known as a prominent member of the Clan-na-Gael. The man Groves also lives at Omaha, and is a friend and ally of Brennon. Associated with Walsh was another American named Joseph Patrick M'Kenna. This man has been living in a hotel in Paris as John Sylvestre. He is, it appears, officially connected with Lodge 96 of the Clanna-Gael in Chicago. He has returned to New York in the same steamer as Walsh. Each travelled from Paris to Havre in a separate compartment in company of a detective officer, who escorted them to the steamer.

THE TRAGEDY AT STOKE NEWINGTON.

On Monday, Mr. George Collier, Deputy Coroner for the Eastern Division of Middlesex, held an inquiry at the Vestry Hall, Stoke Newington, concerning the death of James Lake, a grocer's assistant, aged thirty-one years, by a pistol shot, at Truman's-place, Avenue-road, Stoke Newington, on the previous Friday. Mrs. Margaret Hibbs, landlady of No. 36, Truman's-place, said the deceased and his wife formerly lived in her house, and latterly Mrs. Lake occupied one room. Her three children were with her. Deceased came and took the two eldest with him, and said he would return in half an hour for the youngest. When he returned, Mrs. Lake was in the back kitchen, washing. She would not part with the baby, and he then used some offensive language towards her, and she shut the door in his face. Deceased then got through the parlour window, and made his way to the back room, and, without saying a word, he put his right hand into his pocket, drew out a pistol, and fired at her twice. One shot took effect in Mrs. Lake's breast, and the other in her head. He then put the pistol in his mouth, fired, and fell down in the passage dead. The jury returned a verdict—"That James Lake was found dying and did die of the mortal effects of a hemorrhage on the brain caused by a pistol shot self-inflicted, and that he was at the time temporarily insane."

MURDER OF A BOY IN WORCESTERSHIRE.

Mr. Docker, District Coroner for North Worcestershire, opened an inquest last Monday night, at Wolverley, touching what appeared to be a foul case of murder. Constable Edwards described the finding of the body of a boy of about five years in the well of a disused cottage, near the border of Worcestershire and Staffordshire. The inquest stood adjourned.

"THE COURSE OF TRUE LOVE," &c.

In the Queen's Bench Division on Monday, Miss Sarah Benson, daughter of a farmer near Edenbridge, Kent, recovered £200 from Mr. Liberty Durrant, a farmer in the same neighbourhood, for breach of promise of marriage.

Lord Chief Justice Coleridge and Sir James Hannen the same day granted an application for a re-hearing of the petition for divorce presented by Mrs. Boyce. This is a suit in which the parties became acquainted with each other through the editor of a matrimonial paper.

AN ITALIAN QUARREL.

Antonio Pittassi, an Italian, was brought up at the Lambeth Police-Court last Monday on the charge of stabbing two of his fellow-countrymen, named Pasquale and Angelo Cascarino, and of attempting to stab Giuseppe Cascarino, the wife of Pasquale, at Neate-street, Camberwell. All the parties are engaged in the itinerant ice-cream trade. The prisoner was remanded.

POLICE PERILS.

An inquest on the body of valiant Police-Constable Michael Lewis, who was said to have died from the effects of injuries received at the hands of Frederick Wood, whom he had arrested at Chelsea for burglary, was held by Dr. Diplock last Saturday, and resulted in a verdict of "wilful murder" being returned against Wood.

At the Central Criminal Court the same day, the jury who had heard the evidence in the case of Police-Constable Russell, charged with perjury, were unable to agree, and were discharged.

A BRADFORD HORROR.

About midnight on Saturday last, the Bradford police arrested a man named Neale on a charge of murdering his wife. The parties conducted a large staymaking and ladies' underclothing business in Darley-street, the principal business street in the town, and had lived a very unhappy life, both being addicted to habits of intemperance. The prisoner denies using any violence to the deceased, and alleges that he found her undressed in the room about seven o'clock with a tradesman of the town. He had a struggle with the man, during which the room was upset, and afterwards he went out drinking. On returning, several hours later, he alleges he found his wife dead.

THE STATUE OF GARIBALDI, erected in Washington-square by the Italian residents in New York, was unveiled last Monday. Mr. Hewitt, Mayor of New York, accepted the statue on behalf of the city.

FIRE AT BASS'S BREWERY.—A fire broke out last Monday night in Messrs. Bass and Company's large maltings, at Burton-on-Trent. About 1500 quarters of malt was consumed, and the garner was gutted.

FIFTY PIRATES KILLED.—The captain of the San Pablo, the steamer which went ashore on Formosa, and was pillaged by Chinese pirates, says that fifty of the pirates were killed in the explosion which followed the outbreak of fire on board the wreck. He thinks that the fire occurred accidentally.

FEDERATION OF WORKMEN'S CLUBS.—A meeting was held last week at Lord Lyttelton's house in Carlton House-terrace to discuss the advisability of forming a federation of all the county unions and associations of workmen's clubs. All letters on this subject may be addressed to the secretary, Lieutenant-Colonel Haig, Swadelands, Lenham, Maidstone.

RAILWAY FETE AT EASTBOURNE.—On Monday last, a gathering of railway officials from London and all parts of the southern counties took place at Eastbourne, in connection with the Railway Servants' Widow and Orphan Fund. The London, Brighton, and South Coast Railway conveyed nearly 3000 persons; and the annual dinner of the station-masters and leading officials was held under the presidency of Mr. Pierpoint, of London Bridge Station.

THE VICTIMS OF THE EDGWARE-ROAD FIRE.—The funerals of Miss Agnes Rosina Hyland and Miss Emma Edwards, who perished in the fire in the Edgware-road, took place at Kensal-green Cemetery on Saturday. At the cemetery there was a large attendance, and much sympathy was expressed towards the relatives of the deceased. The funeral of Miss Henry took place the same day in Norwich Cemetery, and was also largely attended. Mrs. Glew was interred at St. Pancras Cemetery, Finchley, on Monday; and Miss Cowell's interment has taken place at Tooting Cemetery.

FOURTH OF JUNE AT ETON.

For more than a century the day which was kept as the birthday of King George III. has been regarded as the Eton Festival, and it has been annually celebrated from that time to this by speeches and a regatta. The day itself is said to be nearly always wet, but at all events this year the skies were propitious, and Eton never looked more lovely than it did on Monday, when there was a bright sunshine tempered by a few clouds and a pleasant north-west wind, which made it the perfection of a summer's day.

The proceedings were commenced by morning chapel at 8·30, after which came the calling of "Absence" in the school-yard, and an inspection of the Eton College Corps of Rifle Volunteers by the Duke of Cambridge, who complimented the officers and men of the corps on their performance, with which he expressed himself very much pleased. At twelve o'clock the Provost and Fellows took their seats in the Old Upper School, a long chamber with rude oak panels, seats, and desks, very much in the same condition as that in which George III. must have seen it at his accession. Most of the speeches, especially those in English and French, were loudly applauded. Lord Ampthill's recitation of a passage from Schiller and his pronunciation of the French in a scene from Molière were faultless in the opinion of the entire audience. At the conclusion of the speeches, many of the visitors went as invited guests to the boarding-houses of the various Masters, where luncheon was going on from one till two, when "Absence" was again called in the school-yard, and the Duke of Cambridge and several of the more distinguished guests sat down to "dinner" (for so it is styled in the authorised programme) in the College Hall, where the Provost and Fellows were the entertainers. Speeches were made by the Provost (Dr. Hornby), the Head Master (Dr. Warre), and the Duke of Cambridge.

The company next repaired to the playing-fields, where they listened to the band of the 2nd Life Guards and watched a cricket-match. There was the usual procession of the College boats up the river to Surley Hall, where the crews supped in tents on the bank of the river. The proceedings of the day were brought to a close by a display of fireworks on a little island just above Windsor Bridge.

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